

Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council Meeting (AISAC)
Work Group Coordination & Funding Task TEAM Session
Thursday, April 30th, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

McMahon, Tom (AGFD - Facilitator)
Aikens, Rory (AGFD)
Umeda, Kai (U of A, Cooperative Extension)
Moorhead, Brian (SRP)
O'Brien, Chasa (AGFD)
Fahringer, Glenn (AISAC)
McGrew, Brian (ADAg)

Call to Order

Tom McMahon called the meeting to order at 9:36am at the Arizona Game and Fish Department – Main Office, Pintail Room, located at 5000 West Carefree Highway, Phoenix, AZ 85086.

Welcome & Introductions

The meeting commenced with short introductions.

Approval of Minutes from 3/5/2009 Task Team Meeting

Some discussion ensued concerning: attendee names; postponement of AISAC quarterly meeting; adding Brian McGrew to “About AISAC” updates.

Motion to accept minutes (with corrections) made by Chasa O.; Seconded by Glenn F. – **Motion to accept passed.**

AISAC Updates

- Brian Mc provided an update on the Governor's office and future AISAC responsibilities. We are currently moving forward with the 2008 AISMP implementation matrix, particularly “The Center” website. AISAC Co-chairs are working on meeting with the Governor's office and the Natural Resources Policy Advisor, Mr. Michael Anable, in July, 2009
- Tom Mc. discussed HB2157 – Aquatic Invasive Species. It initially passed through the House Resource Committee on a 7-0 vote. There have been several amendments to the initial legislation, mainly that SRP/CAP/Irrigation districts may be exempt and a change to Arizona's Watercraft fund to allow for funding to the AIS program. Currently, HB2157 is being held for other matters concerning the State's overall budget issues.
- Tom Mc. discussed the NISC-ASIC meeting scheduled for May 5-7 in Tucson. Some details available included:
 - Main body of meeting on May 5th and 7th
 - May 6th will be used for local IS field trips
 - Tom Mc will be presenting an AISAC update to NISC/ASIC on May 7th at 10:30am.

Website Discussion/Review – “Arizona Center for Invasive Species”

- Tom Mc opened this discussion with the purpose of “populating” this website. The group decided that Tom Mc will put together a list of the various website tasks that were assigned/accepted by the various AISAC Work Group members and send it to them for verification and deadline terms. These tasks have a deadline of Friday, May 22.
- From R&IM Work Group – The Subject Matter Expert Questionnaire (SME) is in its final form and Chasa O. asked Tom Mc. to forward this document to the Department's AG and Bob Broscheid for comment.

Next Task TEAM meeting has been scheduled for **Friday, July 24th** at the AGFD offices in north Phoenix.

Meeting adjourned at 10:39am